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Seventh Sunday of Easter
May 17, 2015



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Sacraments (English)

Penance: Saturday 4-5pm

Baptism: Second Saturday & third Sunday. Contact Fr. Rafferty
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Marriage: Please make arrangements in advance with the Pastor or a Priest.

Los Sacramentos (Español)

Penitencia: Sábado 4-5pm

Bautismos: 2do Domingo y 3er Sábado del mes.

Preparación bautismal: Contacte la rectoría para detalles.

Bodas: Favor de hacer arreglos con anticipación con el Párroco o sacerdote.

Ministry For The Sick/ Homebound

We are anxious to help anyone who cannot celebrate Mass with us in church because of illness, handicap or age. Please call **Cipriano Lantigua** at the rectory.

Ministerio Para Los Enfermos

Ayudamos a todos los que no pueden venir a celebrar la Misa por enfermedad o otra razón. Favor de llamar a **Cipriano Lantigua** en la Rectoría.

Celebration of the Eucharist

| Saturdays | Sundays | Weekdays |
|----------------------|----------------------|----------------------------------|
| 8:30am (English) | 8:15am (English) | 8:30am (English) |
| 12:10pm (Spanish) | 9:30am (Spanish) | Noon (English) |
| 5:00pm (English) | 11:00am (Choir) | 7:00pm (Spanish) |
| 6:15pm (Spanish) | 12:30pm (Spanish) | 6:00pm Wednesday (English) |
| | 6:00pm (Jazz) | |

New Parishioners and Visitors Welcome
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Dear Parishioners and Friends of Ascension,

On the last weekend of May (May 30/31) we will have elections for our Parish Council. At the current time we are seeking nominations. If you are interested in nominating yourself or someone else, we ask that you please bring these names to the rectory as soon as possible.

There is great value in having a Parish Council. The Parish Council is a consultative body that exists to advise the pastor. Prior to Vatican Council II, authority, power and leadership in the Catholic Church had been vested principally in the clergy, with little or no power in the hands of the laity. The Council sought to rectify this injustice through the implementation of a conciliar process, which eventually became known as the Parish Council. The Parish Council is called to be our core group that supports the Pastor in his leadership role, expands his awareness of needs and achievements, and counsels him on pastoral outreach

The Purpose of the Parish Council is:

1. To enhance and evaluate the quality and effectiveness of parish life and pastoral activity. This includes: • expanding and enhancing the decision-making process of parish planning and goal-setting; • developing and implementing parish programs; • improving parish services.
2. To deal with the Mission of the Church, long-range and short-range goals and objectives.
3. To be a visionary and prayerful group who, together with the Pastor, seeks to discern the direction and movement of the Spirit within the parish community.
4. To provide the Pastor with ongoing communication and input regarding the needs of the parish.

Thank you for your consideration in becoming an Ascension Parish Council representative.

Finally, allow me to congratulate Christian Vasquez on making his First Communion last Sunday. Christian has non-verbal Autism. With the help of 2 two of our catechists, Sonia and Emily who do wonderful work with those who have special needs, Christian was prepared to receive the Eucharist. Thanks to Robin, Sonia and Emily, and congratulations to Christian and his family!

Peace, Fr. Kearney

Queridos Feligreses y Amigos de la Ascensión,

En el último fin de semana de mayo (30-31 de mayo), tendremos elecciones para nuestro Consejo Parroquial. En el presente estamos buscando nominaciones. Si está interesado en nominarse a sí mismo o a alguna otra persona, le pedimos que, por favor, traiga esos nombres a la rectoría lo más pronto posible.

Es de gran importancia tener un Consejo Parroquial. El Consejo Parroquial es un grupo consultativo que existe para aconsejar al párroco. Antes del Concilio Vaticano II, la autoridad, poder y liderazgo en la Iglesia Católica había sido delegada principalmente al clero, con poquito o ningún poder en manos de los laicos. El Concilio buscó rectificar esta injusticia a través del implemento de un proceso conciliar, que eventualmente se dio a conocer como el Consejo Parroquial. El Consejo Parroquial está llamado a ser nuestro grupo central que apoya al párroco en su papel de director, aumenta su consciencia de las necesidades y realizaciones y lo aconseja sobre los compromisos parroquiales.

El propósito del Consejo Parroquial es:

1. Aumentar y evaluar la calidad y lo efectivo de la vida parroquial y la actividad pastoral. Esto incluye: agrandar y aumentar el proceso de tomar decisiones y planificación para fijar metas; desarrollo e implemento de programas parroquiales; mejoramiento de servicios parroquiales.
2. Tomar en cuenta la misión de la Iglesia, metas y objetivos a largo plazo y a corto plazo.
3. Ser un grupo visionario y de oración, que juntos, con el párroco, buscan discernir la dirección y movimiento del Espíritu en la comunidad parroquial.
4. Proveer al párroco con la continua comunicación y participación acerca de las necesidades de la parroquia.

Gracias por su consideración de convertirse en un representante del Consejo Parroquial de la Ascensión.

Finalmente, permítanme felicitar a Christian Vásquez por hacer su primera comunión el domingo pasado. Christian tiene autismo no-verbal. Con la ayuda de dos de nuestras catequistas, Sonia y Emily, que hacen un trabajo maravilloso con aquellos que tienen necesidades especiales, Christian fue preparado para recibir la eucaristía. ¡Gracias a Robin, Sonia y Emily y felicidades a Christian y a su familia!

Paz, Padre Kearney



Olivia Barnet, William Brown, Laura Moore Brown, Yveline Louis Charles, Paola Colon, Mariela Cristin, Luz Marina Cruz, Gina DeGivenchy, Javier DJuan, Milena Encarnacion, Julio Esteves, Sonia Feliz, Enercida Fernandez, Florentina Flores, Mary Font, Claire Gaudiani, David Glassberg, Altagracia Gomes, Fredes Gonzalez, James Griffin, Carlos Gutierrez, Rafael Guzman, Marjorie Hanson, Mariana Heras,

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Daily Readings and Mass Intentions

Sunday, May 17—Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26; 1 Jn 4:11-16; Jn 17:11b-19
9:30am Efrain Robles

11:00am Victor del Toro, Prisilla Ilem

12:30pm Santiago Rodriguez, Casilda Mejia, Roberto Germosen, Guillermina Gutierrez Mendes, Susana Aquino, Por la salud de Nino Benjamin

Monday, May 18 – Acts 19:1-8; Jn 16:29-33

7:00pm Miguel Collazo, Accion de gracias a la Virgen de Schoenstatt

Tuesday, May 19 – Acts 20:17-27; Jn 17:1-11a

7:00pm John E. Carboy

Wednesday, May 20 – Acts 20:28-38; Jn 17:11b-19

7:00pm Andre Sainvill

Thursday, May 21 – Acts 22:30, 23:6-11; Jn 17:20-26

7:00pm Accion de gracias a San Gregorio

Friday, May 22 – Acts 25:13b-21; Jn 21:15-19

Saturday, May 23 – Acts 28:16-20, 30-31; Jn 21:20-25

8:30am Mae Rafferty

6:15pm Elsi Marines

ASCENSION'S

Trivia Night

When: **Saturday, June 13th, 8:00pm**

Where: **Ascension Parish Center**

Tickets are now on sale after Mass!

Cuándo: **Sábado, 13 de junio, 8:00pm**

Dónde: **el Centro parroquial de la Ascension**

Los boletos están a la venta después de la Misa!

Los Vigilantes del Señor



Los Vigilantes del Señor invita a toda la comunidad el **lunes 18 de mayo**, empezando con una Misa de Accion de Gracias a las 7:00pm al 38 Aniversario del Circulo de Oración. El celebrante sera el Rev. Sixto Quezada (Padre Piro). Para mas información llamar a Aurora Sanchez al 212-932-8302

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Ascension Parish Wish List!

Please take a look at the samples below from our Liturgical Wish List and consider donating in memory of a loved one. For the full list of parish needs or to make a donation, contact:

Fr. Kearney (revdkearney@gmail.com)

Michael Elmore (melmore@barnard.edu)

John Norelli (jnorelli@ascensionchurchnyc.org)

Here are the Top Needs for our Parish Liturgies:

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| Four Silver Chalice | \$400.00 each |
| One Silver Bowl Paten | \$300.00 |
| Two Processional Torches | \$350 each |
| Ten Altar Server cassocks | \$70 each |
| Two – Seven-Light Candelabras with oil candles | \$800 each |
| Re-wire/re-lamp church chandeliers with high efficiency dimmable lamps. | \$4,000 |
| Lower, refurbish, re-wire, re-lamp Estrella with high efficiency dimmable lamps. Raise and anchor. | \$3,500 |

Donations can be made by individuals, families, groups, friends, etc. You can be as creative as you can!



We can do it TOGETHER!

¡JUNTO Podemos Hacerlo!

We here at Ascension are very grateful for the exemplary way you willingly share the precious gifts of *time, talent, and treasure* God has given you.

| March Collections | | April Collections | | May Collections | |
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| 1-Mar | \$ 5,968 | Holy Thurs | \$ 3,554 | 3-May | \$ 7,787 |
| 8-Mar | \$ 6,491 | Good Fri | \$ 3,170 | 10-May | \$ 5,907 |
| 15-Mar | \$ 5,885 | Holy Sat | \$ 3,174 | 17-May | |
| 22-Mar | \$ 6,176 | 5-Apr Easter | \$13,709 | 24-May | |
| 29-Mar | \$ 8,198 | 12-Apr Easter | \$ 6,568 | 31-May | |
| | | 19-Apr Easter | \$ 7,319 | Faith | |
| | | 26-Apr | \$ 5,879 | Direct: | \$ 9,792 |
| Faith | | Faith | | | \$ 23,486 |
| Direct: | \$13,429 | Direct: | \$15,330 | | |
| | \$46,147 | | \$58,703 | | |



We will be electing two people to the Parish Council on Sunday, May 31, 2015. If you would like to nominate yourself or someone else, please let the parish office know by Tuesday, May 26.

Parish Council membership is open to anyone over 18 who has been a registered member of the parish for two years. Much of our work is done via email, so members must have and use an email account.

Estaremos eligiendo a dos personas a la Junta Parroquial el domingo, 31 de mayo de 2015. Si desea nominarse usted mismo o otra persona, por favor, valla a la oficina parroquial y dejele saber antes del martes, 26 de mayo.

Miembros del Consejo Parroquial está abierto a cualquier persona mayor de 18 años que ha sido un miembro registrado de la parroquia durante dos años. Gran parte de nuestro trabajo se realiza a través de correo electrónico, por lo tanto los miembros deben tener y usar una cuenta de correo electrónico.

The exhibit SEASONS OF CELEBRATION: THOMAS MERTON AT 100 closes May 29 at the Rare Book and Manuscript Library (6th floor), Butler Library, Columbia University. In its final days, the exhibit is open Mondays through Fridays 9AM - 4:45PM with the exception of Wednesday, May 20 (opens at 1PM because of Columbia commencement). The exhibit is closed on Memorial Day, May 25.

Parish & Community Outreach (English)

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| AA | Tuesday Parish Center 6:00pm, Step Meeting 7:30pm, Beginner's Meeting |
| Adult Choir | Sunday (Contact Music Director) |
| Nicotine AA | Saturday 6:00-7:30pm, Rectory Meeting Room |
| RCIA | Wednesday 7:00 pm, Grace House |
| SLAA | Wednesday 6:00pm, Parish Center Sunday 4:00pm, Rectory Meeting Room |
| St. Vincent de Paul | Second Sunday donation give away 9:30am-2:30pm Donations accepted 24 x 7 at the St. Vincent de Paul drop box located outside of 218 W 108 th St. |
| Gay Fellowship | Third Tuesday of each month, Rectory Dining Room |
| Biblical-Literature Discussion Group | Every Other Thursday Rectory Dining Room 7:00pm May 21 |
| Ascension Reading Group | As announced: Wednesday, May 20th at 7:00pm Nadine Gordimer's THE PICKUP |



First Saturday of the month **Mother's Kitchen**
 Second Saturday of the month **Dominican Sunday Kitchen**
 Third Saturday of the month **Welcome Table**
 Third Saturday of the month **Ascension Food Pantry**
 Fourth Saturday of the month **Divine Mercy Soup Kitchen**

Reuniones (Español)

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| AA | Lun, Miér, Vier Y Dom. 7:30pm Grace House |
| Circulo de Oración | Lunes 7:45pm, el Centro |
| Comité Guadalupano | Viernes 7:00pm, la Cafeteria |
| Grupo Desfile Mariano | Viernes 7:30pm, salón debajo la Rectoría |
| Cursillistas | Jueves 7:45pm, el Centro |
| Enseñanzas Liturgica | Martes 7:30pm, salón debajo de la Rectoria |
| La Hermandad del Corazon de Jesus | Primeros Miercoles del mes: 7:30om en el Centro parroquial |
| Legión de María | Jueves 5:30pm, la Rectoría |
| Ministerio Mariana | Sábados 11:00am, La Iglesia |
| RICA (iniciación adulta) | Miercoles 7:00pm, Grace House |
| Los Walkirios | Miercoles 8:00pm, La Iglesia |
| San Vicente de Paul | Segundo Domingo distribuir donaciones 9:30am-2:30pm en el Centro parroquial Donaciones aceptadas 24 x 7 en la caja de San Vicente de Paul situado fuera de 218 W 108 St. |
| Grupo Jovenes Adultos | Viernes en el Centro 7:45pm |
| Grupo de Oracion... las Almas del Pulgatorio | Primeros Jueves del mes |
| Grupo Virgen de Schoenstatt | El ultimo miercoles del mes 7:30pm, salón debajo de la Rectoria |
| Grupo de parejas | Tercer Domingo del mes, 2:00pm el Centro |
| Divina Misericordia | Viernes 8:00pm, salón debajo de la Rectoria |

MASSES IN ENGLISH AT 5:00 P.M., 8:15 A.M. AND 11:00 A.M.

Boldface numbers refer to music found in the red *Worship* hymnbook. The Order of Mass may be followed in the paperback missals, also provided in the pew racks. The setting for Eastertide is "A Community Mass" by Richard Proulx (1937-2010).

INTRODUCTORY RITES

Organ Voluntary, Processional – *William Mathias, 1934-1991*

Processional Hymn, The head that once was crowned with thorns (*Jeremiah Clarke, 1670-1707*) **464**

At the Sprinkling of Holy Water, Hymn, This is the feast of victory (*Festival Canticle*) **458**

R. This is the feast of victory for our God. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gloria in excelsis Deo

Glory to God in the highest, And on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, We adore you, we glorify you, We give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, You take away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, Receive our prayer; You are seated at the right hand of the Father, Have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, You alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, With the Holy Spirit, In the glory of God the Father. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

Psalm 103 **853**

R. The Lord has set his throne in heaven.

Gospel Acclamation – *Celtic Alleluia*

v. I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord. /

I will come back to you, and your hearts will rejoice.

Nicene Creed

Missal Page 100

Prayer of the Faithful – *tune: Ronald F. Krisman, 1977*

R. Risen Lord, hear us, we pray

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Offertory Anthem (*11am*), The Ascension – *Philip Moore, b. 1943*

Lift up your heads, great gates, and sing, now glory comes, and glory's king; now by your high all golden way the fairer heav'n comes home today. Hark! Now the gates are ope, and hear the tune of each triumphant sphere; where ev'ry angel as he sings keeps time with his applauding wings, and make heav'ns loftiest roof rebound the echos of the noble sound.

Hymn, Christ is made the sure foundation (*Henry Purcell, 1659-1695*) **617**

Sanctus

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heav'n and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest, hosanna in the highest.

Mystery of Faith

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,

we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

Agnus Dei **256**

Communion Hymns, Come, my Way, my Truth, my Life (*Ralph Vaughan Williams, 1872-1958*) **569**

Be joyful, May, heav'nly Queen (*tune: Regina caeli, 1584*) **450**

Postcommunion Anthem (*11am*), Lift up your heads – *Mathias*

Lift up your heads, O ye gates, and be ye lift up, ye everlasting doors, and the King of glory shall come in. Who is this King of glory? The Lord strong and mighty, the Lord, mighty in battle. The Lord God of hosts, he is the King of glory.

CONCLUDING RITE

Recessional Hymn, Regina caeli (*Latin, 12th cent., Mode VI*) **443**

Organ, Prelude in F major – *Fanny Mendelssohn, 1805-1847*



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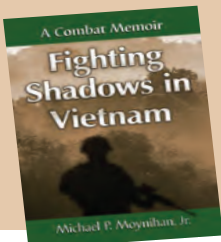
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his life. His father served in World War
II, his brother was a Marine in Vietnam;
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Vietnam builds in torment until an
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becomes a tormented survivor knowing
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